

08-415 Corrections Services - Adult Probation and Parole

The mission of Adult Probation and Parole (organizationally expressed as the Division of Probation and Parole) is to protect public safety by providing for the investigation and supervision of adjudicated adult offenders through the enforcement of legal statutes and the provision of community-based programs that are designed to facilitate offenders' adjustment and reintegration into society.

The goals of the Division of Probation and Parole are:

1. Ensure public safety and confidence in community sanctions.
2. Manage the Division of Probation and Parole programs effectively, efficiently, and professionally.

The Division of Probation and Parole functions as a "community services" division and consists of a headquarters office in Baton Rouge and 20 district offices strategically located throughout the state. The division protects public safety by investigating adjudicated adult offenders for the courts and other decision makers; supervising those who are placed on probation, parole (regular and good time), or work release; and enforcing the conditions attached to their presence in the community. As of June 30, 1999, there were 54,968 offenders under the supervision of the Division of Probation and Parole. Of these, 34,100 were on probation and 20,868 were on parole. Forty percent (40%) of the total offenders under supervision had been sentenced for drug-related offenses.

In 1992 the Division of Probation and Parole assumed responsibility for monitoring community rehabilitation center contracts as well as inmates assigned to those contract work release facilities. These facilities are nonsecure, community-based residential facilities that have generally been utilized as a reintegration resource. They also provide an alternative to incarceration for parole technical violators. Of the eight work release facilities monitored by the Probation and Parole Division, three are contracted to private providers and five are operated through a cooperative endeavor agreement with the local sheriff's office.

The Division of Probation and Parole initially purchased 125 electronic monitoring units in 1995, 25 units in 1996 and 50 units in 1997. A central host system was purchased and installed for monitoring the devices and determining whether violations have occurred. The electronic monitoring units are currently being used to monitor curfews imposed in lieu of revocation for persons who have committed technical violations of their conditions of parole and for monitoring IMPACT (intensive parole) cases. The division has found that device is an efficient, cost-effective tool that enhances supervision efforts for selected cases. Further analysis of the cost-effectiveness will become available as the program processes.

The Division of Adult Probation and Parole passed its 1993 American Correctional Association (ACA) accreditation audit with a perfect score and in early 1994 received its ACA accreditation.

Adult Probation and Parole has two programs: Administration and Support and Field Services.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1998-1999	ACT 10 1999- 2000	EXISTING 1999- 2000	CONTINUATION 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$21,616,585	\$27,543,973	\$27,563,508	\$29,932,627	\$26,937,017	(\$626,491)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	10,282,261	7,308,435	7,308,435	7,308,435	9,908,435	2,600,000
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	1,335,948	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$33,234,794	\$34,852,408	\$34,871,943	\$37,241,062	\$36,845,452	\$1,973,509
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration and Support	\$1,552,083	\$1,998,954	\$1,998,954	\$2,419,319	\$2,327,651	\$328,697
Field Services	31,682,711	32,853,454	32,872,989	34,821,743	34,517,801	1,644,812
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$33,234,794	\$34,852,408	\$34,871,943	\$37,241,062	\$36,845,452	\$1,973,509
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	859	859	859	859	848	(11)
Unclassified	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	859	859	859	859	848	(11)

This agency's recommended appropriation includes \$590,580 for short-term debt, including Lease Purchase agreements.

This agency does not have any long-term debt for Fiscal Year 2000-2001.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$1,203,414
State General Fund by:	
Fees and Self-gen. Revenues	401,138
Total	\$1,604,552